## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

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BOYKIN JONES, #115 033

Plaintiff, \*

v. \* 2:08-CV-220-MHT (WO)

LEON FORNISS, WARDEN, et al., \*

Defendants.

## **ORDER ON MOTION**

Plaintiff has filed a request for appointment of counsel. A plaintiff in a civil case has no constitutional right to counsel. While an indigent plaintiff may be appointed counsel pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(1), a court retains broad discretion in making this decision. *See Killian v. Holt*, 166 F.3d 1156, 1157 (11<sup>th</sup> Cir.1999). Here, the court concludes that Plaintiff has not shown that there are exceptional circumstances justifying appointment of counsel. *See Kilgo v. Ricks*, 983 F.2d 189, 193 (11<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1993); *Dean v. Barber*, 951 F.2d 1210, 1216 (11<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1992); *see also Fowler v. Jones*, 899 F.2d 1088, 1096 (11<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1990). Therefore, in the exercise of its discretion, the court shall deny Plaintiff's request for appointment of counsel.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motion for Appointment of Counsel (*Doc. No. 44*), is DENIED.

DONE, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January 2011.

/s/ Susan Russ Walker SUSAN RUSS WALKER CHIEF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE